

#### IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No.:

10/643,674

Filing Date:

August 19, 2003

Applicant:

Hyon et al.

Group Art Unit:

1711

Examiner:

Susan W. Berman

Title:

ULTRA HIGH MOLECULAR WEIGHT POLYETHYLENE

MOLDED ARTICLE FOR ARTIFICIAL JOINTS AND

METHOD OF PREPARING THE SAME

Reissue of:

U.S. Patent 6,168,626 issued 01/02/2001

Attorney Docket:

1736-000001/REB

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### SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 3.73(b)

Sir:

The current reissue application is a divisional reissue of reissue application Serial No. 10/141,374, which was filed as a reissue of U.S. Patent No. 6,168,626 issued January 2, 2001. A prior Statement Under 37 CFR 3.73(b) was filed documenting ownership of the '626 patent by BMG Incorporated, along with an Assignee Consent Under 37 CFR 1.172. A copy of that Statement is attached. The prior statement was executed by Yoko Gen.

The undersigned attorney for BMG Incorporated states that, to the best of his knowledge after reasonable investigation, Yoko Gen, the Chief Executive Officer of BMG Incorporated, was authorized to sign the Assignee Consent to Reissue on behalf of BMG Incorporated.

Respectfully submitted,

Dated: 16 October 2006

David L. Suter, Reg. No. 30,692 Attorney for Applicants

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### **PATENT**

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Filing Date:	5/8/02	
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Group Art Unit:	3738	
Title:	Ultra High Molecular Weight Polyethylene Molded Article for Artificial Joints and Method of Preparing the Same	
Reissue of	U. S. Patent 6,168,626, Issued 01/02/2001	
Attorney Docket:	5490-000280/REA	
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ST	ATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b) AND POWER OF ATTORNEY OR AUTHORIZATION OF AGENT	
Under 37 C.	F.R. § 3.73(b), the undersigned hereby states that the	below-named
Assignee is an assig	nee in the above-identified Patent and Reissue Applicatio	n:
Assign	nee: BMG Incorporated	
	ntary evidence of a chain of title from the original owner to signment Document(s):	o the Assignee
	filed herewith,	

**POWER OF ATTORNEY** 

previously filed,

Reel No. <u>008082</u>, Frame No. <u>0009</u>.

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The undersigned, whose title is supplied below, is empowered to sign this certificate on behalf of the assignee.

**BMG** Incorporated

Date: 7/30/01

Yoko Gen

Title: C.E.O



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## ASSIGNEE CONSENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.172

BMG, Incorporated, assignee and sole owner of U.S. Patent No. 6,168,626 B1 which issued to Hyon et al. on January 2, 2001, consents to the filing of the Reissue Application No. 10/141,374 filed May 8, 2002 for the reissue of said U.S. Patent No. 6,168,626 B1.

**BMG** Incorporated

Date: 7/30/02

Name: Yoko Gen Title: C.E.O.



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Application Type	Fee (\$)	Fee(\$)	<u>Fee(\$)</u>	<u>Fee(\$)</u>	Fee(\$)	Fee(\$)	Fees Paid (\$)
Utility	300	150	500	250	200	100	
Design	200	100	100	50	130	65	<del></del>
Plant	200	100	300	150	160	80	
Reissue	300	150	500	250	600	300	
Provisional	200	100	0	0	0	0	

2. EXCESS CLAIM FEES **Small Entity** 

Fee Description				<u>Fee (\$)</u>	Fee (\$)
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Multiple dependent	claims			360	180
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